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Honorable Chet Holifield
Chairman, Committee on Government
Operations
House of Representatives
2157 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Mr. Chairman:

This is in reply to your request for the views of the Office of Management and Budget on H.R. 15577, a bill "To amend section 552 of title 5 of the United States Code to clarify certain exemptions from its disclosure requirements, to provide guidelines and limitations for the classification of information, and for other purposes."

For the reasons given by the Departments of State and Defense, the Central Intelligence Agency, and the Atomic Energy Commission in their reports to the Committee on the bill, we oppose enactment of H.R. 15577.

Sincerely,

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Assistant Director for
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